St. Louis Children’s Hospital Diversity in Medicine Visiting Medical Student Elective 2019-2020

The St. Louis Children’s Hospital Pediatric Residency Training Program at Washington University strongly values and promotes diversity within our physician and resident physician work force. We are delighted to invite students to apply to our Diversity in Medicine Visiting Medical Student Elective for the 2019-2020 academic year, co-sponsored by the Pediatric Residency Program Residency Diversity Committee and Washington University School of Medicine (WUSM). The four week program allows qualified students considering careers in pediatric medicine the opportunity to rotate on the wards and clinics at St. Louis Children’s Hospital (SLCH), interact with residents and faculty, and interview for the WUSM/SLCH Pediatric Residency while visiting.

Students who are members of groups underrepresented in medicine or who are socioeconomically disadvantaged are strongly encouraged to apply to the funded program, which includes a stipend of $3,000 for up to three qualified students per academic year to defray the costs of travel, housing, and food, and the VSAS registration fee. Students will also be afforded the opportunity to interview for residency while performing their away elective to further minimize travel and application costs. The AAMC defines the following groups as underrepresented: Black (African/African American), Latino/Hispanic (Mexican American, Cuban American, Puerto Rican, Central American, South American), Native American, and Native Hawaiian.

Applications will be considered based on merit and availability. We will only consider applicants who wish to complete the elective between July and February of each academic year.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Applicants must be in good standing and in their final year of and LCME-accredited medical school, and must have completed a core clerkship in Pediatrics. Applying for residency position in Pediatrics.

APPLICATION PROCESS: Applications open on June 20th, 2019. Application deadline is July 15th. We aim to inform students of application status on a rolling basis. Applicants will be notified by end of August award decisions.

Application requirements:

- Completed CV and Essay (see template)
- Two letters of recommendation
- Dates of interest for elective (see above)
- Need for housing (Yes/No). If yes, indicate if you are interested in on-campus housing.
- Underrepresented group(s) with which you identify: Black (African/African American), Latino/Hispanic (Mexican American, Cuban, Puerto Rican, Central American, South American), Native American, and/or Native Hawaiian
- Scores of USMLE exams taken
- Official school transcript

Please send completed applications to Dr. Jessica Pittman at jpittman@wustl.edu.